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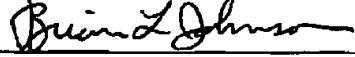
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In response to the Office Action dated September 26, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

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Claims 1-4, 6-7, 9-10, 20, and 22-27, are currently pending. Please cancel claim 21. Claim 20 has been amended. For the Examiner's convenience, all of the currently pending claims are shown here in their entirety.

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